

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this application as amended.

Claims 2-5, 7-11, 13, 18-21, 23, 26 and 27 have been amended. Claims 1, 17 and 25 have been cancelled. Therefore, claims 2-16, 18-24, 26 and 27 are presented for examination.

Applicants acknowledge that claims 3, 4, 7, 11, 19, 20, 23 and 27 would be allowable if rewritten to include the limitations of the base claims and any intervening claims.

Claims 1-2, 5-6, 8-10, 13-18, 21-22, and 25-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Song (U.S. Patent No. 5,893,930). Applicants submit that the above-rejection has been obviated by the cancellation of claims 1, 17 and 25, and the amendment of the remaining claims to include the allowable features indicated in the Office Action.

Thus, applicants respectfully submit that the rejections have been overcome and that the claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, applicants respectfully request the rejections be withdrawn and the claims be allowed.


The Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (303) 740-1980 if there remains any issue with allowance of the case.

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Respectfully submitted,

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